

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 2, 4, 7-40, 42-43 and 80-98 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 80, 90 and 97 being the independent claim. New claims 80-98 have been added via the amendment above. These new claims have been copied verbatim from U.S. Patent No. 7,027,083 to Kanade et al., which issued on April 11, 2006. Support for these claims can be found throughout Applicants' specification, including Figures 1-5, 8, 9, 11 and 12 and accompanying text.

Conclusion

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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